

Reply Under 37 C.F.R. 1.116

Expedited Procedure

Examining Group 1775

PATENT Docket No. 364/51

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Inventor(s):

Rumbach et al.

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09/196,916

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For:

Electrically Conductive Metal Strip

and Plug Connector Made Therefrom

Group Art Unit: 1775

Examiner: McNeil, J.

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AMENDMENT UNDER RULE 1.116

In response to the office action mailed September 26, 2000, applicants respectfully request reconsideration in view of the amendments and remarks below. Please amend the application as follows:

In the Specification:

On page 3, line 16, insert - Table 1, as well as the remainder of the specification, specifies the

composition of the material by percentage weight.

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 1 and 2.

3. (amended) [The] An electrically conductive metal strip for the production of

electrical contact components, comprising: [as defined in Claim 1,]

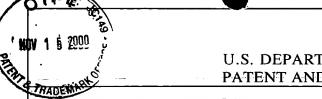
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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER		Docket Number: 364/51			
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Invention Title ELECTRICALLY CONDUCTIVE METAL STRIP AND PLUG CONNECTOR MADE THEREFROM		Inventor(s) Rumbach et al.			

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Transmitted herewith is an Amendment filed in the above-identified application

After entry of the amendments to the claims, as set forth in the attached mendment, 1. the filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

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- D. Any additional document supply fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.19;
- E. Any additional post-patent processing fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.20; or
- F. Any additional miscellaneous fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.21.
- 3. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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